

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 BEIRUT 05291 241648Z

46

ACTION NEA-09

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 AID-05 SCCT-01 OMB-01 SY-05

USSS-00 PM-03 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15 CIAE-00 DODE-00

INR-07 NSAE-00 PA-01 USIA-06 PRS-01 /074 W

----- 030363

P R 241557Z APR 75

FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO AMEMBASSY SANAA PRIORITY

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 4050

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 5291

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, PFOR, PDIP, LE, YE

SUBJ: YEMENI AMBASSADOR'S INTENTION TO CLOSE EMBASSY IN BEIRUT

REF: BEIRUT 5162

1. BEIRUT PRESS MORN APRIL 24 REPORTS DECISION ATTRIBUTED TO YAR COMMAND COUNCIL TO CLOSE YAR EMBASSY IN BEIRUT UNTIL LEBANESE AUTHORITIES BRING TO JUSTICE ASSASSINS OF THREE YEMENI PERSONALITIES (MOHAMMED AHMED NU'MAN, MOHAMMED SHAIBI AND ABDUL AZIA HARAWI) KILLED IN LEBANON OVER LAST TWO YEARS. PAPERS ALSO STATE THAT YAR AMB. HERE, MOHAMMED ABDUL QUDUS AL WAZIR, WAS RECEIVED EVEINING APRIL 23 BY PRIMIN SOLH AND QUOTE AMB. AS SAYING THAT YARG REGRETS "THAT LEBANESE SOIL HAS BECOME A PLACE FOR LIQUIDATION OF YEMENI POLITICAL PERSONALITIES."

2. COMMENT: DESPITE PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSURE, YAR EMBASSY STILL FUNCTIONING THIS MORN. YAR EMB-
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 BEIRUT 05291 241648Z

OFF INFORMED US THAT AMBASSADOR WILL PROCEED TO

SANAA TODAY (APR 24) TO CONSULT WITH YARG AND WILL CARRY RECOMMENDATION THAT EMBASSY HERE BE CLOSED FOR TIME BEING. HE SAID EMBASSY WAS TIRED OF HAVING YEMINIS HERE BUMPED OFF AND WERE CONVINCED THAT ASSASSINS HAD NO RPT NO RELATIONSHIP TO INTERNAL YAR POLITICS BUT WERE RATHER HOME-GROWN (I.E., LEBANESE) ELEMENTS. ATTEMPT AGAINST LIFE OF ROVING AMB. SHAMI (REFTEL), WHO EMBOFF TELLS US IS IMPROVING AT AUB HOSPITAL, PROVED LAST STRAW FOR EMBASSY. IT NOT YET CLEAR WHETHER YAR EMBASSY STAFF, WHICH INCLUDES SIX DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL, WILL BE WITHDRAWN FROM BEIRUT OR WILL SIMPLY RECEDE INTO WOODWORK.

3. GOL HAS NOT RPT NOT ISSUED ANY OFFICIAL COMMENT ON PROJECTED YAR MOVE.
GODLEY

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: ASSASSINATION, DIPLOMATIC MISSION CLOSING, POLITICAL LEADERS, DEATHS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 24 APR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GarlanWA
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975BEIRUT05291
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750144-0464
From: BEIRUT
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750418/aaaaaqni.tel
Line Count: 78
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 BEIRUT 5162
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GarlanWA
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 21 MAY 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <21 MAY 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <11 SEP 2003 by GarlanWA>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: YEMENI AMBASSADOR'S INTENTION TO CLOSE EMBASSY IN BEIRUT
TAGS: PINS, PFOR, PDIP, LE, YE, (NU'MAN, MOHAMMED AHMED), (SHAIBI, MOHAMMED), (HARAWI, ABDUL AZIA), (SHAMI, AHMED)
To: SANAA
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006